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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Masayuki MATSUMOTO et al.

Group Art Unit: 2873

Application No.: 10/754,705

Examiner: M. Hasan

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Docket No.: 118311

For: METHOD FOR COMPENSATING POLARIZATION MODE DISPERSION,
POLARIZATION MODE DISPERSION COMPENSATOR AND OPTICAL FIBER
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

**SMALL ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

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